

HOLY ROSARY PASTORAL COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
December 21, 2010

Opening Prayer - Led by Fr. Harry

Attendance - Members present- Fr. Harry, Carla Nennig, Gary Winkler, Herbie Schreiner, Valerie Wiley, Bill Wiley, Mike Birschbach, Terry Steiner, Vic Guckeisen, and Sue Philippi. Excused: Joan Nisler, Mike Kutz, Fred Weber, and Al Ciche.

Minutes - The November minutes were approved.

Communications – None

Open Forum –

A) Tri-Parish Meeting – Bill asked Council members for any agenda items they may want to include for the Tri-Parish meeting January 4th in the gym at Holy Rosary at 6:30 p.m. Please email them to him by Monday the 27th. Father Long will arrive about 7 p.m. and will be available after the meeting if anyone would like to speak to him one on one.

B) Fellowship (donut) Sunday did occur after the 10:30 Mass on the last Sunday of November. Input from Sue was that it seemed to go well.

C) Diocesan Visioning Process – This was completed and submitted by Sue by the deadline.

D) Vic offered several suggestions to possibly implement in the future. One regarding the Holy Rosary Choir performance at the Country Christmas, and the possibility of having parish representatives set up a table to sell crafts or hold a giveaway. She noticed other churches that performed had some form of representation for their church. Vic's second suggestion was to donate scrip to the less fortunate as a means to help others and a way to increase scrip sales. This could be an ongoing thing throughout the year and not just during the Christmas season.

E) Herbie and Terry's terms will be up July 1, 2011, and Gary's term as Trustee will also be up. New members will be needed to fill these vacancies.

Committee Reports –

Education –

Religious Ed –

- Carla passed out the Faith Formation report which included minutes from the November 23rd and December 14th meetings, as well as the survey results received from parents regarding any changes to the Religious Ed program. The survey resulted in no changes in class day or time, and the three parishes wish to maintain classes at each of the sites, but share resources and have the same textbooks. Curriculum would be the same because this has been determined by the Diocese. The Parish Council discussed at length the benefit of having one Director, which had been proposed at the last parent meeting held in Kiel. Fr. Harry mentioned that a Director could follow-up on kids that were not attending class, would be responsible for catechist recruitment and training, and would be the person to contact should problems arise. Each site would maintain a coordinator to see that things run smoothly during class time. The Faith Formation Commission will put forth a proposal at the Tri-Parish meeting. One suggestion is to have a combined bulletin to show activities for the three parishes so parishioners are aware of what events they may participate in. One point of discussion at the Tri-Parish meeting will be who is responsible for hiring a Director.
- The November 17th Thanksgiving craft night/social for grades 1-8 was well attended by parents and grandparents. There were positive compliments about the event.
- December 1st grades 1-8 met Fr. Harry and Diane Klotz in church for an Advent Prayer Service. High school students met in the Youth Ministry room for their Advent prayer service.
- December 8th students attended the Immaculate Conception Mass instead of classes.
- December 11th First Reconciliation was held. Audrey Miller assisted and 11 out of 12 students attended.
- January 5th classes resume for the Second Semester. High school students will begin classes with Youth Mass at 7:30 p.m.
- January 12th is the second session of Catechist Certification Training in Chilton. Classes will be held with a Family Trivia contest for grades 1-8 and "The Jeweler's Shop" Play for high school students.

Youth Ministry –

- December 18th – Christmas Caroling at Willowpark & Willowdale Nursing Homes.
- December 18th & 19th – Christmas Cookie and Candy Sale after all Masses brought in \$254.00.
- December 24th – Youth Choir will sing with Adult Choir for Christmas Eve Mass.

- January 15th – Bingo at Willowpark Assisted Living Residence Home. Youth Choir will sing at the 4 p.m. Mass.
- January 21st – Ski trip to Sunburst in Kewaskum.

Divine Savior –

- No Report available.

Finance Council – Barry Scholz resigned as Building & Grounds chair. They are now looking for a new chairperson. Herbie did volunteer to chair with help, but that has not been determined as of yet. Sue will call regarding the inspection of the furnace, which was to have been done, but was delayed. The scrip sales are still down about 13% from 2009. The envelope collection is a bit behind budget, but the revenues and expenses are looking okay at present.

Worship – No report.

Welcoming – No report.

Stewardship – No report.

Next Prayer Leader – Mike Birschbach

Next meeting – February 15th at 6 P.M. (No meeting held in January.)

Closing Prayer – Fr. Harry

Respectfully submitted,
Valerie Wiley
Parish Council Secretary